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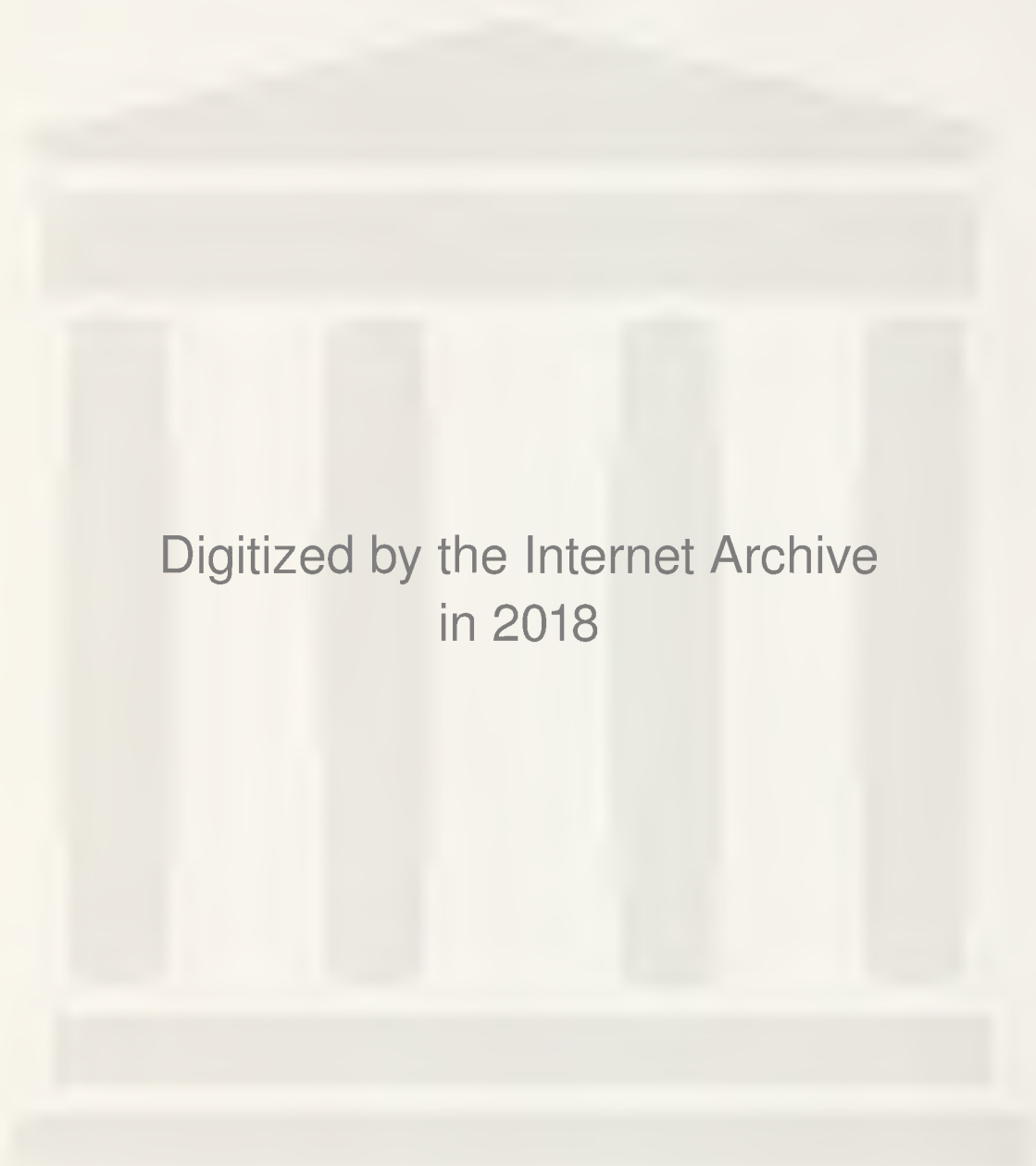
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THE BELL FAMILY

DESCENDENTS OF JOHN BELL

of

BEVERLEY, YORKSHIRE, ENGLAND
and
SHRIGLEY, MELANCTHON, ONTARIO

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INTRODUCTORY NARRATIVE

The Immigrants

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A voyage begins the story of every American family. For two hundred years ships had been crossing the Atlantic with family groups that had left the old and were venturing to the new world, when the Bell family left Yorkshire, England, for Ontario. They came from that same English skilled middle class of dissenting folk that had so largely made up the puritan migration to New England. There were fourteen persons in the little clan in the town of Beverley. There were the Grandmother Ann Sawyer, relict of William Bell and her second husband, William Rowbotham. Ann (Nancy) was 64 years old, a long-faced, thin, woman of great respectability. There were her daughter, Mary Anne Bell, 35 years of age, with her husband, George Kitching (Tranmer) and their infant daughter, Mary Ann Kitching, born April, 1854. (Ann's other daughter, Caroline, married to Doctor Norton, remained in England, and the graves of four of Ann's children were also left behind.) There were Ann's three sons, John Bell, by her first husband and Billy and Edward Rowbotham, by her second. Billy, (William Sawyer Rowbotham) was 23 and Edward less than 20.

The first of these to sail for Canada, 1854, were John Bell, his wife and children.

John Bell was a man of 39 and had with him his wife, Elizabeth Draper, and their six children, Mary Ann 17,

Jonadab nearly 15, Richard 12, Caleb 8, Edward 4, and Joshua 2. Four of these children had been born in Beverley, England, and two during a residence of three years in Christiania (now Oslo) Norway, where an English firm was engaged in installing the gas works. John was listed as a "Sawyer" in Beverley. He planned to be a farmer in Ontario where land was to be had almost for the asking.

Land in England meant wealth and their hopes for the future were high. They had read with care some of the little volumes written by travelers to Upper Canada and published by the Canada Company to encourage and aid immigrants. Part of the country had been well settled since the United Empire Loyalists had fled to it from the American Revolution two generations before. But new tracts were being opened up and the progress of the Grand Trunk Railway north to Lake Simcoe was opening another frontier. Statements of some of the tracts written to encourage emigration were perhaps too rosy and yet they gave most hopeful statistics on the increase in wealth and property of those who had settled on Canada Company lands.

"Canada is a country in which the industrious and careful agricultural emigrant, who can bring with him a few hundred pounds, and some able and willing sons to use the axe, may do well by speculating in the purchase of wild woodland to clear and occupy. But the first few years must be grappled with as years of loss and labour only. All must use their utmost exertions to clear the land as speedily as possible, or it will soon clear their pockets. But if a family will unite in their exertions, and cleave together like a bundle of sticks all of them may, in time, become possessed of as much land well cleared, as will afford them independent support and brighter and more flattering prospects in view."

This sounded like reality.

The seaport of Hull is only nine miles from Beverley.

In 1846 there was published by John Nicholson, Bookseller, at 48 Lowgate, Hull, "The Narrative of a Voyage, and travels in Upper Canada, with accounts of the customs, character and dialect of the country, also remarks on emigration, agriculture, etc." written by James Taylor. Perhaps they read the book.

The voyage (here condensed) might be like their own.

"I left home for Hull on the 10" April, 1843. On the 11" embarked on board the ship Queen Victoria, 900 tons burthen bound for Quebec with goods and passengers. Hail, storm, squalls, thunder. Apr. 23 off Land's End. On the 24 under a smart breeze entered the Atlantic Ocean. April 25 waves increasing to mountains. April 26 Gale continues. A beam sea, heavy rolling of vessel.

At midnight heavy squalls which split our jib sail to atoms. Apr. 27 favorable and pleasant, till about midnight when all hands were summoned, sails taken in.

Apr. 29 - Wind fresh but steady, made good way.

Apr. 30 - New moon and our gallant ship proudly tossing before her the white surf of the ocean. Sight a ship. It is not unusual for a ship to sail twelve days without having in sight a single companion.

May 1 - a fair and gentle breeze wafting us over a glassy surface. May 2 - intensely cold. May 8 - Very stormy - whales. May 13 - dense fog, high sea, rain.

May 18 - Snow visibly seen lurking on rocks and mountains of Newfoundland.

May 23 - took on a French Canadian Pilot in Gulph of St. Lawrence.

May 24 - Had a fine view of the Falls of Montmorency and, in sight of Quebec, at eight o'clock cast anchor at the long-looked-for port after a stormy passage of six weeks.

I would advise those who emigrate to take as little luggage with them as possible and have it well secured. Old clothes, large boxes, etc. are not worth the carriage. If you

have any provisions left, such as oatmeal, potatoes, etc. you may profitably dispose of them at Quebec. At the same time saving expense of carriage and not having so many articles to attend to.

"After spending a night in Quebec I set out by steam boat for Montreal a distance of 180 miles. We took our departure from Montreal by steam boat for Kingston on the Rideau Canal which lays parallel a short distance from the Ottawa River which is full of rapids. On leaving the canal we entered one of the most wonderful places my eyes ever beheld called Thousand Islands, a still and dreary region. After quitting this antideluvian scene we entered a canal and came up to a village called Bytown (Ottawa) where we passed through 9 locks. On the 2nd of June I arrived safe at Kingston 199 miles from Montreal and took steam boat for the city of Toronto where I arrived on Sunday after experiencing a comfortless passage of 177 miles from Kingston and 556 miles from Quebec."

Such were the prospects, and, when the work in Christiania was done, emigration was decided on.

It was not so difficult to leave Beverley with its beautiful minster after the North Sea had been crossed to Norway but to leave other members of the family seemed impossible. A wreath of the hair of all the dear ones was prepared and presented to them. Provisions were obtained for some weeks aboard ship; oatmeal, potatoes, cured meats, jam, etc. Bedding was assembled for the eight. The voyage lengthened out to fourteen weeks. Betty was so ill on the sailing vessel that her life was dispaired of. Traveling with six children took fortitude and grace, fortunately she had both.

Toronto was a thriving city, growing so rapidly that fortunes were being made, especially by those who had land to sell. Though the streets were muddy, smart equippages went back and forth to the elegant homes about. North of Toronto

was the well cultivated township of Markham and here the family remained for some weeks.

But it was land they sought and they could get land from the crown sixty miles farther north beyond the head of the railroad at Stayner. At the railhead perhaps they hired (as the Phillips did three years later) an ox team and sledge on which to carry tools, boxes of dishes and clothing, bedding, and, perched on top, a crate of chickens that perversely bounced off as the sledge hit against the stumps. Before and behind the oxen they walked, on through the cut over lands where there was lumbering and farms already settled till ahead rose precipitately the heavily wooded Blue Mountains, the front of a wide plateau. As the track led up through great trees few places afforded a view but when a vista opened and they could look back over the lowlands a thousand feet below there was grandeur, - the long curve of the beach on Nottawasago Bay with the long arms of wooded points embracing it and Georgian Bay lying blue and vast to the north. Perhaps the boy Jonadab felt somewhat as his son Chauncey did, eighty years later (in 1935), "It's a romantic and beautiful country. The view from the top of Creemore Hill, showing that fertile and rugged valley spread out like an open book from Nature's own library, is unsurpassed."

They found the plateau swampy in places. The track became a blazed trail through solid brush, so new that axes had to be used. Only one family was near their destination and they but recently come - the Shrigleys - who gave the

empty crossroads a name.

Here was contrast. Not long since they had been in Beverley, a snug town with its great Cathedral and the neat primitive Methodist Chapel which they attended. They had seen Hull and other cities of England. They had lived for a time in Christiania, Norway. They had briefly experienced Montreal and Toronto. This was raw wilderness, unbroken bush, twenty miles from any place to buy or sell.

It was fortunate that the group included men and boys who could hew and saw. A saw pit was dug, logs were dragged over the hole, one man went down below and one remained above and they sawed the logs with a crosscut saw. Hastily a long shack of logs was built and a path cut from it a quarter of a mile through the bush to the spring that came from a limestone ridge. Boards laid on boxes formed a table.

The wilderness was hard on them. There was a time, when, for six weeks they lived on boiled turnips alone, even salt was lacking.

Then spring came, and a second voyage, of eleven weeks, brought more of the family. John's mother Ann, and her husband William Rowbotham arrived. William brought with him currant bushes and English grass seeds and a set of carpenter tools. He also brought his son William (Big Billy), his son's wife, Sarah, and their two year old Little Billy. These all came temporarily under John's roof and joined in the common struggle with the wilderness.

Great trees were cut, beech and maple as big around as

a dining room table. Neighbors brought a team of oxen and all hands joined in the task of rolling the logs together for burning. In the winter they were burned. There was nothing else to do with them. To plant food the land must be cleared. The price given for sawed lumber at the railroad twenty miles away was \$5.00 a thousand. Year by year the clearing grew. Wheat was planted without further preparation on the burned areas. In following years the land was plowed and crops rotated.

Again when spring came the family was enlarged. On the 13th of May, 1856, John's sister, Mary Ann Bell Kitching (Tranmer) and her husband, George, and two year old Mary Ann arrived.

After a six weeks voyage to Montreal they came by train to Stayner. From Stayner George Kitching walked to Shrigley. Somewhere near Badjeros he found a man who had a pair of horses and a light wagon. These he hired and drove back to Stayner for his family and baggage. There was now a road as far as John Bell's, but no farther.

One little frontier home could scarcely hold so many. When new neighbors arrived in the months ahead a tiny child, Janey Phillips, now Mrs. Will Ellis, 84 years old, remembers the long dim room and the numerous family groups that filled it.

Soon separate homes were built for Kitchings, Rowbothams and Bells. The Kitchings moved in early fall into an unfinished cabin without doors or windows. Some of the men slept in the cellar till the house was completed.

In the Ontario Department of Public Records and Archives

at Toronto, among the land papers, is filed John Bell's application 26 Sept. 1855 to William Jackson agent for Lots 22 and 23, Concession 9, Northeast of the Toronto and Sydenham Road, Melancthon, in Grey County, Ontario, making a payment of £10: 1: 9 on account.

Here John and Betty built their home. Their log house had a lean-to kitchen on whose walls hung shining copper and brass kettles. Brass candlesticks held the only lights. A pair of globe shaped glass fruit dishes on high standards were on the sideboard. There were dishes of blue willow ware and brown English china and the common plates were heavy white stoneware with an embossed border. Two black cherry trees were left standing in the yard and wild plums abounded. Apples, rhubarb and lilies were planted and have not yet forgotten to bloom though the house is gone. A well came in time and broad fields. As the sons grew to manhood they went down at times into the harvest fields to earn cash and they even went as far down the railway as Stouffville. There Jonadab met Mary Ann Stevens and brought her back as his wife when she was seventeen.

Richard and Edward built homes to the right and left of their father. Next to Richard, Joshua built and beyond Edward for a time Jonadab lived and died and Caleb lived there after him.

Those who were children on the voyage across the Atlantic now had children of their own. Three babies who did not live were buried under the black cherry trees in their grandmother's yard, but old John Bell lived to see 30 of his 36 grandchildren.

They trooped back through the farm and a half mile of bush to the little Shrigley school with its red plank walls and vertical white batten strips. Here David Stewart was master. The children would laugh and shout till over the knoll came David and they'd whisper, "Master's coming", and all would put on more becoming deportment. He was a graduate of Edinburgh and a lover of good poetry - a good teacher for the older boys but too harsh for timid little folks. He ruled with "the tawes" a leather strap which came flying at a young culprit who had to bring it forward and suffer a good strapping. Down the road on Bailey's land was built the little log church where they all raised their voices in song. They were good singers and Yorkshiremen. Joshua's Yorkshire was of the broadest and Sarah Sprott (Mrs. Lusty) can still with a twinkle in her eye, sing his version of the old songs. Jonadab led the Sunday School. He was often the only minister there was. His wife sang in the choir and had the first organ in the community and refined ways.

Besides the little church were a few graves of the earliest of the pioneers to die. In 1872, after seventeen years in Canada the great grandmother, Ann, died. In the same year her daughter, Mary Ann Kitching, age 53, also died. One stone served them both. Sarah Bowers, first wife of Billy Rowbotham, was also laid there.

In 1892 the log church was replaced by a brick one and the corner stone was laid by John Bell, aged 77, the oldest and earliest member and by his granddaughter, Caleb's Katherine

as the youngest and latest member. When, in that same year, 1892, old John Bell died, he was buried in the Badjeros cemetery where his son Jonadab had already lain for twelve years. The little brick church has been demolished recently and great grandmother Ann Rowbotham's grave stone is in three pieces on the ground.

John Bell lived in Canada thirty eight years. He had been blessed with children, grandchildren, lands and home. He held strong religious conviction and wore with pride his Rechabite temperance medal. He read his newspaper with thoughtful concern for affairs. He discussed philosophy with his eager grandsons who were embarking on higher education, but he was gruff and stubborn and "he didn't think children should be children."

Betty on the other hand, knew the way to children's hearts. An apple or cookie came mysteriously from under her apron while she whispered, "But don't tell your grandpa". They tell of her early years in Canada that she was seen with her knitting in her hands, the needles flying, her knitting sheath, to hold the idle needle, stuck in her apron belt, a basket of eggs on her arm, walking the twenty miles to Stayner to do her marketing. Betty saw forty-three years of life in the new world. Toward the end of her long life she sent a commission to her grandson Ernest (son of Jonadab). She wanted, she said, some little English night caps, the sort she had had in England.

Ernest had been bereft of his father when only fifteen.

Determined to have an education he had gone to Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania, in 1884. His mother, his brother, Wm. John; his sister, Frances; and brother, Chauncey, had followed him there in 1886. Thus for a second time a Bell family were immigrants in a new country. Ernest became a citizen of the United States in 1889. When he married an American girl and went to Oxford, England, for further study in 1890, dear old Grandmother Betty sent them the commission for the caps. They looked high and low but, bless her heart, in forty years English styles had changed. They sent her the best substitute they could find and the notice of the arrival, 20 July, 1891, of their first child, Miriam Olive. Betty had 8 great grandchildren before she died in 1897 and was buried beside her husband in Badjeros cemetery. In time all her sons were gathered there about her, Jonadab in 1880, Richard, 1907, Caleb, 1913, Edward, 1911, Joshua, 1933.

The story of this immigrant family is a long one, if all were recorded, for Mary Ann Kitching, the baby of the voyage, lived until 1937.

The Immigrants of 1854, 55 and 56.

Name	Age 1854	Place of Death	Year of Death
Ann(Nancy) Sawyer Bell Rowbotham	64	Shrigley, Ont.	1872
William Rowbotham - Ann's second husband			
Mary Ann Bell Kitching (dau. of Ann)	35	Shrigley, Ont.	1872
George Kitching (Tranmer) her husband			1904
Mary Ann Kitching	infant		1937
William Sawyer Rowbotham, Son of Ann	23		
Edward John Rowbotham, Son of Ann	17 c.		
John Bell, Son of Ann	39	Shrigley, Ont.	1892
Elizabeth Draper Bell, his wife	39	Shrigley, Ont.	1897
Mary Ann Bell, who married Chas. Hall	17	Mona, Ont.	1885
Jonadab Bell	14	Shrigley, Ont.	1880
Richard Bell	Children of John Bell	Toronto, Ont.	1907
Caleb Bell	8	in Alberta	1913
Edward Bell	4	Corbetton, Ont.	1911
Joshua Bell	2	Shrigley, Ont.	1933

Of the living descendents of these immigrants there are more than a hundred in Canada and the United States.

II

THE CANADIAN FAMILY

The father of John Bell was

- A. William Bell, of England, who married Ann (Nancy) Sawyer about 1808. There were born to them:

	Mary Bell	b. 3 Apr. 1809
No. I	John Bell	b. 22 Mar. 1815
	B) Ann Bell	b. 11 Mar. 1819
	C) Caroline Bell	b. 9 Aug. 1821

Mary probably died early as Ann is later known as Mary Ann. After the birth of Caroline, William Bell went off to war, and from the day he went away was never heard from more.

About 1830 Ann Sawyer Bell married a second husband, William Rowbotham. There were born to them:

- D) William Sawyer Rowbotham
 b. 9 Mar. 1831 at 1/2 past 8 o'clock in the morning
 Edward Sawyer Rowbotham
 b. 15 Sept. 1832 at 20 min. past 7 o'clock P.M.
 (dead)
 John Edward Rowbotham
 b. dead
 E) Edward John Rowbotham (who came to Canada)

All of these who lived, except Caroline, came to Ontario in 1854, 1855 or 1856.

Ann Sawyer Bell Rowbotham, b. 1790, died after seventeen years, in Ontario, on 28 Mar. 1872, age 82 years, and is buried by the Shrigley Church.

- B. Mary Anne Bell, b. 1819 was presented with a bible "The gift of her affectionate mother, Beverley, Yorkshire, 15 Sept. 1849". (Perhaps when she was leaving England for Norway) A picture of the record it contains is here given.

Mary Anne married, 1853, in England, George Kitching Tranmer. (The Tranmer was later dropped).

They brought their daughter, aged 2, to Ontario in 1856. Mary Anne Bell Kitching d. 23 Aug. 1872. Her husband died 15 Feb. 1906.

Their children:

Mary Anne Kitching

b. 28 April 1854, d. 23 Feb. 1937

m. George Kitchen

Children:

Henrietta, who in 1939 has given us much help on the pioneer history.

George, who m. Gertrude Westicott and d. in Western Canada.

Mary Jane, m. David Aikens, d. 25 Oct. 1937

William Kitching

b. 27 June 1857, d. 23 Sept. 1887

unmarried

Caroline Kitching

b. 22 May, 1862, d. Sept. 1930

m. 1. Jonathon Kitchen

m. 2. Charles Kitchen brothers

- C. Caroline Bell, b. 1821, m. "Doc" John Norton and remained in Beverley, England. She d. 29 June, 1864.

Children:

Mary Anne, m. Fred Grant

Caroline.

- D. William Sawyer Rowbotham (Big Billy)

b. 1831

d. bur. Toronto

m. 1. Sarah Bowers who d. 27 Mar. 1872, age 41 at Shrigley.

m. 2. Harriet

A son William (little Billy, b. 1854) m. Lillian Mahala Stevens of Stouffville, sister of the Mary Ann Stevens who m. Jonadab Bell. Lillian Mahala Stevens m. 2) Wesley Ellsworth and lived at Bracebridge, Ont. She d. in Toronto, 1938 at the home of her daughter, Susan Rowbotham Cameron. (Mrs. Andy Cameron).

- E. Edward John Rowbotham came to Canada, became a farmer in Ontario, married Melinda Badjeros, had children Caroline and George, removed to Michigan and, in old age, was killed on the railroad there.

I. JOHN BELL (Son of William)

b. 22 Mar. 1815

d. 8 Sept. 1892 at Shrigley, Ontario, age 77 yrs., 5 months and 8 days.

buried Badjeros cemetery

m. 26 Nov. 18 (36) in England

Elizabeth Roper (or Draper)

b. 5 July, 1815

d. 11 Feb. 1897, age 81 years, 7 months and 6 days

bur. at Badjeros

Elizabeth was brought up by a family named Smith and was sometimes known as Betty Smith. A half brother, John Smith, remained in Little Drifffield, Yorkshire, England. On the baptismal record of her son Jonadab in Beverley she is called Elizabeth Roper. She was fair, stately, active and kindly. Her grandchildren treasure her memory and the mementos they have of her - her picture, her dishes, her bonnet, her chair, her glass fruit dishes, the fruit trees in her yard.

She was thirty-nine when she came to Ontario in 1854, with her husband and six children and she lived forty three years in the new country. The chapter on the immigrants gives a few glimpses of her, ill on the voyage; - walking to market with her fingers flying on her knitting; - later, with her grandchildren.

John Bell lost his father while still a small boy, and by the time he was fifteen had for stepfather William Rowbotham. John was received into the Methodist Society in March, 1834. The records of the primitive Methodist chapel in the Parish of St. Martins in the district called Paradise in Beverley, England, 1839, give his occupation as "Sawyer". About 1849-52 he was engaged in construction of the gas works with James Malen of an English firm in Christiania, Norway. In 1854, as we have already noted, with his wife and six children he came to Canada on a sailing vessel that took fourteen weeks to make the voyage. In 1855 and 1856 also came his mother and stepfather, his sister and her husband and baby, and two half brothers. John took up land from the crown on what was then the frontier twenty miles from the railroad and became a farmer on Lots 22 and 23, concession 9, N.E. of the Toronto and Sydenham Road of the new survey of Melancthon township, then in Grey County, now in Dufferin County, Ontario. The land is still farmed by his descendent (John) Leslie Bell, the youngest son of his youngest son.

John Bell was of medium height with dark brown hair and eyes. He was a capable solid man, thoughtful concerning the affairs of the time, a staunch Methodist and a member of the early temperance society called the Rechabites, from the Bible verse, "For Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us saying, Ye shall drink no wine neither ye nor your sons forever". Jer. 35.6. An amusing story is told that after John had named his first son Jonadab, he proposed to name his second Rechab, but the mother objected. Knowing that she could not move her husband she instructed the nurse to tell the minister that the name was Richard. The child was so christened before the father could protest. John was notably stubborn. This, together with his frequent mention of beautiful Beverley Minster, earned him the nickname of "Old Beverley".

Children of John and Elizabeth (Roper) Bell

2. Mary Ann b. 15 Oct. 1837 at 1/4 past 7 A.M. at Beverley.
3. Jonadab b. 13 Sept. 1839 at 11 o'clock P.M. at Beverley.
4. Richard b. 14 Mar. 1842 at Beverley
5. Caleb b. 2 Mar. 1846 in England
6. William (twin) b. 1 Jan. 1850 at Christiania, Norway.
7. Edward (twin) b. 1 Jan. 1850 " "
8. Joshua b. 26, April, 1852 " " Norway.

2. MARY ANN BELL (daughter of John)

- b. 15 Oct. 1837 at 1/4 past 7 A.M. at Beverley, England
 d. 6 April, 1885 at Mono and is buried at Horning's Mills cemetery, Ontario.
 m. Charles Hall, a prosperous farmer near Shelbourne, Ontario, who died before 1885.

Mary Ann went to Norway with her parents when she was about twelve and to Canada when she was seventeen. These experiences of England, Norway and the ocean were educational and contributed to a poise which was doubtless noticed on the frontier.

Children of Mary Ann and Charles Hall

A daughter who d. at 8 yrs.

Wm. Charles Hall, Jr.

owner of stone quarry at Shelbourne, Ontario

b. 1862, d. 20 Aug. 1937, age 75.

m. Hannah Parkin

Their children:

Jennie Hall m. George Northcote

children: Bernice, Wilfred, George Northcote

May Hall

Leslie Hall m. Evelyn Ronte

child: Donald (deceased)

Edgar Hall m. Grace Brown

children: Edgar, Jean Hall

Wilfred Hall - aviator died in World War

Annie Hall m. Cecil Reed

children: Blanche, Ruth, Kenneth, Janet, Donald Reed

William Hall m. Arly Maxwell

children: Muriel, Douglas, Billy, Jimmie Hall

3. JONADAB BELL (son of John)

b. 13 Sept. 1839 at 11 o'clock P.M. in Beverley, Yorkshire, England.

d. 4 Aug. 1880 at Shrigley, Ontario
 bur. at Badjeros, Ontario

m. 11 Jan. 1865 at Stouffville, Ontario
 Mary Anne Stevens, b. 14 Nov., 1847, daughter of
 Chauncey Fasnett Stevens, a tailor, who had come to
 Stouffville about 1840, and there, with his wife
 Susan Brown, raised a family of ten sons and daughters.
 Chauncey F. Stevens is buried in the Dickson Hill
 cemetery, north of Markham, Ontario.

Jonadab was christened in the Primitive Methodist
 Chapel in the Parish of St. Martin's in the district
 called Paradise, in Beverley. His son, Ernest, who
 ascertained this fact on a visit to England, chuckled
 that he had traced the family back to Paradise. Jonadab
 was with his parents in Christiania at an age when he
 was able to profit by the experience. He learned the
 language and is said to have interpreted for Lord
 Ellesmere and his sisters when they were traveling in
 Norway. He was a precocious child and is said to have
 been urged to an education by Lord Ellesmere. He
 retained the culture which his opportunities afforded.
 Jonadab was blue-eyed and had light brown hair. Two
 pictures of him are known, a daquerreotype of his
 early twenties and a photograph of his late thirties.

As a youth he helped to clear the land. During harvest
 he went down to settled country to earn cash. It was
 on such an expedition to Stouffville that he met Mary
 Ann Stevens and brought her home when he was twenty-six
 and she seventeen. They both had good voices and loved
 to sing. They had the first organ in the community.
 Jonadab led the Sunday School in the log church at
 Shrigley. Often he was the only minister the group had
 and his teachings were long remembered. For a time he
 had a farm beyond Maple Valley in Nottawasaga township.
 Here little Minnie (Mary Anne) died and is buried and
 here Frances was born. Then, his health failing, he
 had the general store in Badjeros. Periodically, he
 made the journey to Toronto to buy supplies for the
 store, seventy-five miles, but in the 1870's it took
 him two weeks to make the trip and return. By 1878 he
 had taken his family back to the neighborhood of his
 parents and brothers. There was a log house then.

In 1935 his son Chauncey wrote, "The old house at the
 farm was replaced by Caleb - (who bought the farm after
 Jonadab's death) with a new brick structure. I can't
 recall whether Caleb also rebuilt the barn. The stone
 fence has grown in stature several cubits by the thought
 which was taken for it since the days when father took
 me by the hand and we together trudged down along it
 when I was five.

"One of the apple trees which I am sure father planted with his own hand (and I recall vividly the time he put out that orchard) and upon whose blossoms he gazed in May from the window the last time he rose from the comfort of his bed in 1880, is standing still in the front yard."

On August 4, 1880, Jonadab died of tuberculosis. His wife was only 33. His children were 14, 13, 11, 7 years of age. For the verses on his monument in Badjeros cemetery Mary Ann selected:

"He's gone, the loved and cherished one,
Like some bright star he passed away,
Death claimed his victim and he sunk
Calm as the sun's expiring ray.

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Another harp is broken and the tones
that trembled upon its strings are now
heard in heaven."

(A brief account of the forebears of Mary Anne Stevens, wife of Jonadab Bell will be found in a later chapter, "Stevens, Browns, Marrs.")

Mary Ann Stevens Bell, wife of Jonadab was a bewitching girl with high color, hair black as a raven's wing, hazel eyes, a most lively and entertaining personality, a sharp tongue and considerable ambition. She was keenly alert mentally. Though she had little chance for education she made good use of what opportunities she had. One who knew her in her youth said, "She had refined ways and did much for the children of the community with her love of music, her organ, her leadership of the village choir." She sang some hundred songs of the day. Her house keeping was nice and her handwriting excellent. Before her marriage she belonged to the Baptist Church then joined her husband's, the Methodist. She was married at seventeen years and two months and had a son, Ernest, born a few days before her 18" birthday. She bore six children of whom two died early. At thirty-three years of age she was a widow with four children: Ernest 14, John 13, Frances 11, Chauncey 7. These must have a real education. She moved for a time to Creemore, Chauncey, then a small boy, returning 55 years later wrote to his sister, Frances: "The short route back to Maple Valley set us on the Mad River road to Creemore, through Dunedin where the old Leonard House still stands, looming less large and not so ominous



(they told creepy stories about "murders and things" pulled off as a casual pastime in that old hostelry) as in the days when we drove the horse-and-buggy trail. But it's a romantic and beautiful country and I think I easily convinced my sympathetic companions (wife and kids) as to where I got at least a part of my love for landscape - that endowment which permits a true appreciation of beauty without owning the real estate. The view from the top of the Creemore hill in the Dutch Farm lane, showing that fertile and rugged valley spread out like an open book from Nature's own library, is unsurpassed anywhere in the San Gabriel Valley or from the top of Mount Wilson, in all artistic beauty and romantic charm if not in grandeur and magnificence. There is nothing finer in the Adirondacks, the Catskills or the Hudson River Valley. At Creemore we saw Billy Mackey, Billy May who had just celebrated his 77th birthday, and Joe Manning, son of the elder Manning who taught me my gardening on the Creemore town-lot and who sold me more strawberry plants for a quarter than were ever dispensed at like cost before or since from the lavish hand of merchant, horticulturist or plant-wizard from Burbank either way across the centuries. Joe is still following his father's profession and his plat extends right up to "just back of" the old barn where "Beatty", the family cow, gave forth her streams of nourishment to make glad the household then occupying the frame residence, now "rough-cast" (stuccoed) but otherwise mostly unaltered since the days we left it in 1886. The old barn looks almost precisely as it did the last day I forked out the fertilizer from the door which the snapshot shows standing ajar. The street is now named Frances (may it not be in recognition of a celebrated resident in the days of the long ago) instead of George Street, its cognomen in the time when the earth was young. I pointed out to the children the back-porch of the old house, not shown in these pictures, where their dad once crept in with palor and indescribable nausea superinduced by a relatively modest "chaw" of black-strap tobacco, and begged the lovely creature who came to offer him her innocently misguided sympathy and superior care, "not to scold me now". "Yo" Hood has been numbered with the great majority now these many years; his old store with the familiar name still stands a monument to the defiance which may be thrown into the very teeth of time, windows boarded, but the stoop still standing. "Yohnny" Mackey moved to Collingwood or Barrie "or someplace", is yet alive, bent with years and with the honors he assumed with such grace and dignity in the days when as justice of the peace and notary public he was generally a man of civic affairs. I learned afterward with deep regret that I had missed Alexander Gillespie, the old postmaster of our day, who still survives and occupies, as Sam told me, the same quarters - I'm not sure whether the same public office of trust, as I write,"

While Mary Ann and Frances and Chauncey were in Creemore, the older boys were trying to both earn money and acquire an education. Ernest was licensed to preach at sixteen in Badjeros. He was in Albert College, Belleville, Ontario for a year. He crossed the border to preach in Minnesota and in 1884 and 85 was at Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. earning his way by tutoring and teaching in the academy and preaching round about. To Meadville in 1886 Mary Ann then took the rest of her family. For six years there was the buzz of college young people around her. John, who had been in the Presbyterian College at McGill University in Montreal, entered Allegheny and Chauncey prepared for High School. Ernest graduated in 1888 and went on to Boston University and Oxford. John graduated the same year and went to Medical School in New York. Chauncey entered Meadville in 1890 but the following year left for Colorado. When Frances married James G. Graff, civil engineer, also of the class of 1888 on the 20th Sept. 1892, the house at 520 Park Ave., Meadville, no longer had meaning for Mary Ann and she went to Chicago with Frances and Jim. When Ernest returned to Chicago from India with his family in 1894 and Mary Ann had both children and grandchildren there, Chicago became her home until her death from tuberculosis on 29 May, 1919, at the age of 72. Her grave is in Forest Home cemetery near that of James Graff and Frances and Ernest and her granddaughter, Betty.

Children of Jonadab and Mary Anne (Stevens) Bell

9. Ernest Albert
 - b. 3 Nov. 1865, Melancthon township, Ont.
10. Mary Anne (twin) (Minnie)
 - b. 25 May, 1867, Melancthon
 - d. 26 June, 1870, Nottawasaga township
 - bur. Duntroon cemetery, Nottawasaga.
11. William John (twin)
 - b. 25 May 1867, Melancthon
12. Frances Eva Effie
 - b. 10 Feb. 1869, Nottawasaga township
13. Infant - girl d.
14. Chauncey Frederick
 - b. 5 Oct. 1873, Badjeros, Ontario

. RICHARD BELL (son of John)

- b. 14 Mar. 1842 at Deverley, England
- d. 3 Sept. 1907 at Toronto, Ontario
- bur. at Badjeros.

Richard came to Ontario with his parents in 1854. He became a farmer and carpenter at Shrigley with his farm adjoining that of his father. He was 5 feet eight inches

in height with fair complexion and blue eyes. He was active, ambitious and sharp tongued. He married 17 Jan. 1866, Mary Anne August. She died 27 Feb. 1885. He married secondly, Frances Kitching, daughter of Thomas Kitching.

Children of Richard and Mary Anne (August) Bell

15. Mary Caroline
 - b. 16 May, 1867
 - d. 25 May, 1867
16. Mary Matilda
 - b. 6 July, 1868
 - d. 1939
 - m. 4 April, 1894 J.E. Broderick
 - Children John Wesley, Ruby and Henry (deceased) Broderick
 - Residence, Carman, Manitoba.
17. William
 - b. 30 Oct. 1870
 - m. 23 Mar. 1905 Elizabeth Scutt (she d. Mar. 1927)
 - children Aylmer Erskine Bell,
 - b. 14 Jan. 1910, m. Mildred Neil
 - Wilfred Scutt Bell, b. 1913.
 - m. 2) Margaret Coulter- child, Robert, d. infancy
 - residence, Collingwood, Ontario
18. Laura Elizabeth
 - b. 30 May, 1873
 - m. June, 1903 A.E. McKenzie
 - children Marjorie and Kathleen McKenzie
 - residence, Brandon, Manitoba
19. (Richard) Henry
 - b. 24 Oct. 1875
 - m. 19 Jan. 1898 Alice McGhee
 - children Pearl, Clarence and Harold Bell
 - residence, Homewood, Manitoba
20. Frederick George (twin)
 - b. 25 Aug. 1879
 - m. 24 June, 1908 Flora McLean
 - child (Bessie) Hazel Bell
 - residence, Badjeros, Ontario
21. Edward Joshua (twin)
 - b. 25 Aug. 1879
 - m. 17 June 1908 Minnie Kennedy
 - children Russel (deceased) Chester, Olive and Pearl Bell
 - residence, Grand View, Manitoba
22. Alice August
 - b. 7 Sept. 1882
 - m. 30 Aug. 1906 J.T. Ferguson
 - children Muriel, Birdie, Howard and Helen Ferguson
 - residence, Calgary, Alberta

Richard Bell died in Toronto from injuries received in a Canadian Pacific Railway wreck.

CALEB BELL (Son of John)

b. 2 Mar. 1846 in England
 d. 3 Oct. 1913 at Carlstead, now Alderson, Alberta
 bur. at Badjeros, Ontario
 m. 31 Jan. 1872 - Margaret Anne Coulter, daughter of
 Robert and Catherine (Vance) Coulter

Caleb Bell came to Ontario with his parents in 1854.
 He became a farmer. He was a member of the Methodist
 church. He was very active, liked to sing, liked company
 and was ever popular among his associates both when young
 and when he was old. Caleb was of medium height with brown
 eyes and dark brown hair. He had ten children. The
 members of this family were industrious, desiring to
 excell in whatever they were engaged in and seeking to
 keep the name of Bell above reproach.

Children of Caleb and Margaret Anne (Coutler) Bell
 all born in Melancthon and Osprey townships, Ontario.

23. John

b. 14 Oct. 1872
 d. 7 Mar. 1915 at Davidson, Saskatchewan
 a bachelor, farmer, lover of good jokes and
 of horses.

24. Elizabeth

b. 23 Mar. 1874
 m. 4 Nov. 1896 at Shrigley, James Redpath who
 d. 23 Nov. 1926
 operates market garden farm. Fond of home,
 friends, a quiet life and doing for others.
 Children Maud, 1897, Nina 1899, Russel 1901,
 Lorne 1902, Winnifred 1907, Earl 1909.
 Residence, R.R.2, Collingwood, Ontario

25. Robert

b. 7 Nov. 1875
 was manager of General Store, Davidson, Sask.,
 now Bailiff and collector, Saskatoon, Sask.
 Jocular, keen sportsman, enjoys saddle horses.
 m. Jane Jamieson, 5 June, 1900
 children Olive
 residence, 1012 Eastlake, Saskatoon.

26. Katherine

b. 3 Nov. 1877
 m. A.H.Glover
 has manner of grandmother Betty Bell. As wife
 of Mayor has busy social life.
 Residence, Windthorst, Sask.

27. Charles (Edward)

b. 13 Oct. 1879
 Manager of chain store, resembles his father.
 Residence, Radisson, Sask.

28. Joshua
 b. 21 Sept. 1881
 d. 10 July, 1904 in Saskatchewan while swimming
 quiet, clean cut, resembled Ernest A. Bell
29. James
 b. 21 April, 1883
 successful farmer, retiring, taller than his
 brothers
 m. 1) Margaret Tweedle who d. 28 Dec. 1937
 2) Oct. 1939
 Residence, Bladworth, Sask.
30. Calbb
 d. in infancy
31. Mary Jane
 b. 12 Feb. 1886
 m. H.B. Brigham
 d. 7 Jan, 1918 in Davidson, Alberta
 bur. Alderson, Alberta
32. Violet Anne
 b. 3 June, 1888
 m. 1) Laughlin McKinnon, 2) John Potter
 Teacher of music
 Children Mamie(adpt.), John Edward Potter 1926,
 Elizabeth Doreen Potter 1929
 Residence, Hoey, Saskatchewan in the far north

WILLIAM BELL (son of John) (Twin)

died as infant in Christiania, Norway.

EDWARD BELL (Son of John) (Twin)

b. 1 Jan. 1850 at Christiania, Norway
 d. 2 Jan. 1911 at Corbetton, Ont.
 bur. at Badjeros, Ontario
 m. 12 July, 1899 Jane Copeman, daughter of John Copeman.
 Jane was b. 16 Oct. 1863 at Town line, Osprey, d. 6 Nov.
 1939., bur. Badjeros.
 Child of Edward and Jane (Copeman) Bell

33. May Bell

b. 25 Jan. 1904 at Shrigley
 m. 10 May, 1936 at Dundalk Roy Young, son of
 Hamilton and Georgina Young.
 child of May Bell and Roy Young
 Kenneth Edward Roy Bell b. 13 Apr. 1937.
 Residence: Melancthon, Ontario

JOSHUA BELL (son of John)

b. 26 Apr. 1852 at Christiania, Norway
 d. 13 Mar. 1933 at Shrigley, Ontario
 bur. Badjeros.



Joshua Bell came to Ontario with his parents in 1854. He operated the farm taken up by his father. He was sharp, witty and not too rugged. He married 7 Mar. 1883 Maria Copeman who was b. 22 Feb. 1862 and who died 10 May, 1937.

Children of Joshua and Maria (Copeman) Bell

34. Charles A. Bell
b. 22 April, 1884
d. 16 Aug. 1892
35. Elizabeth Jane
b. 11 April, 1886
m. 4 July, 1906 Herbert Tuck
children Ernest, 1907 and Chauncey Tuck, 1910.
residence: Creemore, Ontario
36. Nancy
b. 18 Aug. 1888
m. 15 Apr. 1914 George Walton
children Charles, 1915, Belle 1916, Wilfred 1918,
Pearl 1922, Marjorie 1925, Albert 1927, Doreen
and Kathleen 1929, Helen 1931 Walton.
residence: R.R.4, Dundalk, Ontario
37. Martha Anne
b. 16 Sept. 1890
m. 18 Mar. 1914 Ed. Johnstone
children Vera 1916, Delmer 1924, Johnstone
residence: R.R.1 Creemore, Ontario
38. Effie May
b. 4 Aug. 1893
d. 7 Feb. 1895
39. (Mary) Etta
b. 22 Oct. 1895
m. 8 Dec. 1920 W.A. Ellis
child (James) Harvey Ellis, b. 1 Oct. 1921.
residence: R.R.4 Creemore, Ontario
40. Lena Pearl
b. 20 Oct. 1898
m. 13 Apr. 1921 Robert Westicott
child (John) Douglas Westicott, b. 11 May, 1933.
residence: R.R.1, Melancthon, Ontario.
41. (James) Stafford Bell
b. 4 Aug. 1901
not married.
residence: R.R.1, Melancthon, Ontario
42. John Leslie Bell
b. 16 Dec. 1903
m. 24 Oct. 1934 Mary Bailey
child Donald Leslie Bell, b. 9 Sept, 1935.
residence: R.R.1 Melancthon, Ont. Operates the
farm originally taken up by his grandfather,
John Bell, in 1854.

THE AMERICAN BRANCH

ERNEST ALBERT BELL (Son of Jonadab)

b. 3 Nov. 1865 at Shrigley, Melancthon township,
Ontario.

d. 27 Oct. 1928 at Chicago, Illinois
bur. in Forest Home Cemetery

At ten years Ernest passed the High School entrance examination at Collingwood. Being too young his father kept him longer in the local school and studying at home where he made progress. He early signed the temperance pledge. After the death of his father, Ernest secured a position as bookkeeper in Shelbourne. Here he joined the Methodist Church and at sixteen was licensed to preach at Badjeros. He first set his aspiring feet on the paths of higher education at Albert College, Belleville, Ontario, preaching in the summer in Michigan and Linnesota. He earned his way through Allegheny College at Meadville, Pennsylvania, by preaching and by tutoring, teaching in the academy, and by writing for the Pittsburg Christian Advocate. He received the B.A. degree in 1888 and entered Boston Theological School in 1889. He received his B.D. from Boston after some years of practical work.

On 5 June, 1889, he became an American citizen. He married 17 Sept. 1890 Mary Greer (of whom there is more on another page) and sailed for Oxford, England, where he studied Sanskrit and Tamil at the India Institute. He was in Ceylon in 1892 under the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Because of his wife's health, he transferred to Jubbulpore in 1893 and, his own health failing, returned with his wife and three small children to the United States in 1894.

For a time he studied medicine with his brother, John, in Ensworth Medical College, St. Joseph. Though brief, this training helped later in his social reform work. He studied at Chicago Theological Seminary 1895-6, was pastor of the church in Irondale, So. Deering, Chicago, and built the Maywood, Illinois, community church. He was secretary for the India Famine Relief 1897 and 1900. In 1904 he began a ten year's campaign against commercialized vice in Chicago. He was instrumental in founding the Chicago Vigilance Association and the Chicago Church Federation. He was founder of the Midnight Mission, of prayer in the common council, and of the work of Outdoor Evangelism of the Chicago Church Federation. He was on the boards of the Hebrew Mission, the Children's Protective Society, the Travelers' Aid, etc.

He was a delegate to the International conferences on the White Slave Traffic in London in 1911 and 1913. Allegheny College bestowed on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the time of its hundredth anniversary, 1915. He was author of "War on the White Slave Trade" and many articles. He was a recognized moral and religious leader in Chicago and the nation. See 'Who's Who in Chicago', 1926, and the Biography written by his daughter.

Ernest Bell married 17 Sept. 1890

Mary Eliot Greer, daughter of Rev. James Greer, a presiding elder in the Methodist Ministry of Northern Ohio, and of Olive Sarah Jerome Greer (For whose ancestry see later chapters.)

b. 16 Dec. 1867 at Painesville, Ohio. Mary was educated in the Schools and High School of Willoughby, Ohio and attended Allegheny College, 1886. She then transferred to Nebraska Wesleyan where she was both a student and an instructor in mathematics. She graduated in the first graduating class 1890. Mary was early a member of the Methodist Church and later of the Presbyterian. As a missionary in India and later as a leader in the Women's Missionary Society she contributed to the work of the churches. Her steadfast good sense and unselfishness in the long task of raising a big family are noteworthy.

Children of Ernest and Mary (Greer) Bell

43. (Miriam) Olive Bell
 - b. 20 July, 1891 at Oxford, England
 - m. Farrington Daniels, 15 Sept. 1917.
 - children, Farrington, Florence, Miriam, and Dorin Daniels.
44. Clare Ernestine Bell
 - b. 8 Nov. 1892 at Madras, India
45. Reginald Bell
 - b. 31 Jan. 1894 at Jubbulpore, India
 - m. Florence Boise, 31 Jan. 1918
 - children: David and Barbara Bell
46. Eleanor Bell
 - b. 19 Aug. 1895 at St. Joseph, Missouri
 - m. Paul D. Williams 27 Aug. 1918
 - child: Nancy Clare Williams
47. Harold Philip Bell
 - b. 20 Nov. 1897 at Chicago, Illinois
 - m. Ann Dibble Brackett 27 Feb. 1935
 - children: Philip and Mary Anne Bell

48. Jesse Greer Bell
 b. 11 May, 1900 at Austin, Chicago, Ill.
 m. Marion Smith 27 Sept. 1924
 child: (Jesse) Greer Bell
49. (Frances) Elizabeth Bell
 b. 16 July, 1901 at Maywood, Illinois
 d. 8 Aug. 1929
 bur. Forest Home Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.
50. Malcolm Bell
 b. and d. Sept. 1909, Battle Creek, Michigan.

40. MARY ANNE BELL (dau. of Jonadab) (twin)

b. 25 May 1867 at Melancthon, Ontario
 d. 26 June, 1870
 bur. Duntroon cemetery. Her epitaph reads -
 "We loved this tender little one
 And would have wished her stay
 But let our Father's will be done.
 She shines in endless day."

41. WILLIAM JOHN BELL, M.D. (son of Jonadab) (twin)

b. 23 May 1867 at Melancthon, Ontario
 d. 11 Aug. 1920,
 bur. at Dranka, Asiut, Egypt

Attended Collingwood Collegiate Institute 1883-4
 Presbyterian College, McGill University 1884-5
 Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. 1886-8
 Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, A.B. 1888
 Studied Medicine New York University, M.D. 1890
 Practiced in Irvine, Pa. 1890-1
 Taught in Bellevue College, Neb. and
 lectured in Medical College, Omaha 1892-3
 Practiced medicine in St. Joseph, Mo. 1894-1915
 Associated with Ensworth Medical
 College and Hospital, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Editor of the Medical Herald
 Captain in Canadian army medical corps 1915-17

To quote from his letter dated May 27, 1918 (from
 Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia):

"I wholly neglected to answer your question relative
 to Units of Attachment in Europe. As I went directly to
 London at my own expense I was, of course, with none of
 the contingents. In the Mediterranean I was with
 Canadian Stationary Hospital No. 3. At the base in
 France, loaned nine weeks to British Stationary, a
 fracture unit, then 3-1/2 months with Canadian Stationary

Hospital 2. Then in the Somme with Canadian 5th Field Ambulance. In the Battle I was under Colonel "Bly" Campbell of the 6th Field Ambulance, who was killed near me, being with my Sgt. at the time."

For a time he was in command of Tankerton Military Hospital, Whitstable. Upon transferring to the American Army with the rank of Major he was detailed to Camp Greenleaf for duty in connection with that post in the organization and training of an army Medical Corps, lecturing on War Surgery. In the fall of 1917 he was elevated to the rank of Lieut. Colonel (M.C.U.S.A.) and placed in command of Evacuation Hospital No. 49 in which capacity he returned to Europe prior to the armistice. He sailed from the United States Oct. 12, 1918. After the Armistice he was detailed to administrative duties in the Rehabilitation Service on the French Riviera with headquarters at Mentone. He was then transferred to the Army of Occupation at Coblenz. He received honorable discharge, May, 1919.

He became a Medical Missionary with the United Presbyterian Mission in Egypt 1919-20, and died at Assiut 11 August, 1920. His wife accompanied him to Egypt as Bible Teacher in the Mission School at Assiut. Thirty years before they had volunteered for missionary service at Meadville.

Dr. William John Bell married 10 Oct. 1890 Ellen Chesbough, daughter of Rev. George Washington Chesbough and Jane Boyce. Ellen was b. 8 Sept. 1867 at Newburgh, Ohio, attended Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Graduated 1890. She was always active in church work. For many years she was superintendent of the primary department of Westminster Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, Mo., Women's Bible Class Willoughby Presbyterian Church; Director of Young People's work Erieside Bible Conference and Erieside Girls' Conference, 1926-1933.

Her grand sense of humor, her charm and her outreaching kindness for everyone made her beloved by all. She was considered an authority in Bible Study. Her outstanding characteristic was a deep and beautiful spirituality. It was said of her, "How she did beautify the lives her life touched."

She died 29 Nov. 1933 at Wellesley Hills, Mass. and is buried in Willoughby, Ohio.

Children of John and Ellen (Chesbrough) Bell

51. Helen Stevens Bell
 b. 24 Mar. 1892 at Bellevue, Neb.
 m. Walter Powell Sept. 1921
 children: David and Jane Powell
52. Donald Chesbrough Bell
 b. 9 Oct. 1893 at Omaha, Neb.
 m. Katherine Miller 23 Mar. 1920
 children: Ellen and Donald Bell
53. Dorothy Marion Bell
 b. 15 Oct. 1895 at St. Joseph, Mo.
 m. Dr. Merrill King, 22 June, 1922
 children: Merrill and Carolyn King
54. Hugh Stevens Bell
 b. 10 Jan. 1899 at St. Joseph, Mo.
 m. Helen Rose, 10 Oct. 1922
 children: Hugh, John, Donald and Robert Bell.

2. FRANCES EVA BELL (dau. Jonadab)

b. 10 Feb. 1869 in Nottawasaga township, Ontario
 d. 14 Jan. 1939 at Pasadena, California
 bur. in Forest Home, Chicago, Ill.

Frances learned her poetry under David Stewart, early joined the Methodist church, was a beautiful girl and woman with poise, dignity, humor and charm. She was a clever mimic, a too meticulous housekeeper, an apt versifier and did painting in oils. During her widowhood she became a very able trained secretary. In her second marriage she was the wife of a seminary president. Tragically, selfishness rendered much of her talent sterile. She attended Allegheny College and there met and married,

1) 20 Sept. 1892 at Meadville - James G. Graff, civil engineer, graduate of Allegheny in 1888 who became county surveyor of Cook County, Illinois.

He was b. 1860 in Indiana County, Pa.
 d. 1906 in St. Joseph, Missouri
 and is buried at Forest Home, Chicago.

Chauncey writes of him, "Before coming to Allegheny, Jim took his preparatory training at the Indiana County Pennsylvania State Normal School. He registered at Allegheny from Blairsville, Pa. He graduated from Allegheny in 1888 (same year as your father and Uncle John - and same class, of course) with the degree of Civil Engineer. He promptly established himself in Chicago. A strong, almost belligerent, Lincoln

Republican⁺⁺ he aligned himself with the Republican Party in Cook County and out of that affiliation grew his appointment as "Cook County Surveyor", a position for which he was eminently qualified by education and experience. He was the engineer in charge when the Madison Street Cable was laid - an ambitious project of its day. He did much work for the McCormick estate, of a personal nature, and was intimately employed in technical work at the first World's Fair grounds, culminating in that celebration in 1893. He died, as you know, in Uncle John's home in St. Joseph, Missouri, the old "1311 No. 26th Street" in that city. Immediately superinducing cause "cerebro-spinal meningitis".

And Chauncey adds in lighter mood the following footnote,

"++ I was too young to fathom the depths of the political philosophy expounded at great lengths on innumerable occasions in our little sitting room in Meadville, but I was old enough to catch the implications when Jim would put a finishing touch on his elaborate disputation: "Mr. Lincoln agreed completely with me on that subject." - C.

Frances married

2) 2 Jan. 1915 at Chicago, Ill.

Rev. George Henry Trever, theologian (Account from Who's Who in America 1930)

b. Newcastle, Eng., Oct. 13, 1856; s. Joseph Sanderson and Maria (Dale) T., A.B. Lawrence U., Appleton, Wis. 1881, A.M. 1881, D.D. 1893; B.D. Boston U., 1883, Ph.D., 1884; Post-grad, Oxford U., 1 yr., U. of Berlin 1 yr., m. Ada S. Peabody of Oshkosh, Wis., June 30, 1881, (d. 1913) m. 2nd Frances D. Graff of Chicago, Jan. 2, 1915. Ordained M.E. Ministry 1880, pastor in Wis. at Sheboygan Falls, 1883-84, Waupun, 1884-87, Beloit, 1887-88, Janesville, 1888-89, Fond du Lac, 1889-91 and 1893-95, Washington Ave. Church, Milwaukee 1895-1901, Whitewater 1901-04; Prof. Greek and Hebrew exegesis, 1904-13, N.T. exegesis and Christian doctrine, since 1913, Gammon Theol. Sem., Atlanta, Ga., president, 1925-May 1929. Trustee Lawrence College 1889-92. Delegate to General Conference M.E. Church 1896-1904-1912-1920, reserve delegate 1900. Prohibition Party candidate for Lt. Gov. of Wis., 1904. Member Phi Beta Kappa. Author, Studies in Comparative Theology 1896. Contr. to Internat. Bibl. Ency., and frequent writer for religious press.
Address, Pasadena, California.

3. INFANT GIRL - died

4. CHAUNCEY FREDERICK BELL (son of Jonadab)

b. 5 October 1873 at Badjeros, Ontario, Canada

Elementary education in public schools of Ontario and Pennsylvania. Leadville, Pennsylvania High School Graduate 1890. Student Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania 1890-91. Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. Winner Kalamathean Essay Contest (Freshman)

Went west in 1892 and taught in Bellevue College, Bellevue, Nebraska and in The College of the Southwest, Del Norte, Colorado 1893-1896.

Student in University of Colorado, Boulder, 1896-7-8. Ranked in Colorado State and Interstate Oratorical Contests 1897.

Superintendent of Schools, Alamosa, Colorado, 1898-1899.

Manager of Alamosa Milling and Elevator Company, Alamosa, Colorado. District Manager of Colorado Milling and Elevator Company at Greeley, Colorado. Board of Directors of Colorado Milling and Elevator Company of Denver, Colorado.

At one time Manager of Sales, Investment Division of Bankers Trust Company, Denver, Colorado.

Member of Congregational Church, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and Masonic Orders.

Has owned and developed irrigated farm lands in Colorado. Residence: Greeley, Colorado, and Altadena, California.

Married 4 October, 1911 at Huntington, West Virginia to Harriet Talbott Stalnaker.

b. 7 December 1885 at York, Pennsylvania.

Daughter of Lloyd Chenoweth and Mary Elizabeth (Edwards) Stalnaker.

Elementary education in public schools of West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Graduate High School of Martinsburg, West Virginia, 1902 A.B. West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, 1906. Major subject: English; Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority; English Club Honorary Society; Various Class Honors - "Die Volksmassigste" in Senior Year.

Teacher Glenville State Normal School, Glenville, W.Va. 1906-8. Student Columbia University, New York, 1907. Graduate Student, Columbia University and Teachers College, 1908-9.

European Tour summer of 1910

Instructor Colorado State Normal School, Greeley, Colo., 1909-1911.

Member of Literary Clubs, Daughters of American Revolution, Congregational Church.

Children of Chauncey and Harriet (Stalnaker) Bell

55. Chauncey Frederick Bell, Jr.

b. 22 February, 1915 at Greeley, Colorado
Elementary education in public schools of
Colorado and California.

Pasadena Junior College - Graduate 1933

Faraday Award - 1930.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
Cambridge, Mass. (1934-1939)

Dean's Scholarship List three years.

Technology Christian Association - Treasurer

Chi Phi Fraternity - President 1937-38.

Scabbard and Blade (National Military Fraternity)

Pi Tau Pi Sigma (Signal Corps Honorary
Fraternity) - President

2nd Lieutenant Signal Corps Reserve United
States Army (Combat Division)

With Thorne-Loomis Industrial Tour of Europe
1935. Special Student in language Crans sur
Sierre, Switzerland, summer 1938.

Technical Member The Institute of the
Aeronautical Sciences. S.B. Aeronautical
Engineering - 1938. M.S. Economics and
Engineering - 1939.

Present occupation: Engineer, The Glenn L.
Martin Company, Baltimore, Maryland.

Residence: 4410 Roland Avenue, Roland Park,
Baltimore, Maryland.

56. Virginia Stuart Bell

b. 27 February, 1918 at Greeley, Colorado.
Elementary education in public schools of
Colorado and California.

John Marshall Junior High School, Pasadena,
graduated 1933. Listed for leadership in
school service. "Gold M" scholarship award.

Pasadena Junior College, student in 1933 - 1934.
College Orchestra and Pasadena Civic Orchestra,
'Cellist.

The Dana Hall School, Wellesley, Massachusetts-
Graduate 1935.

Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts -
1935-1939.

Pacific Coast Regional Scholarship Award - 1935

Competitive Scholarships in 1936-7; 1937-8;

1938-9. The Greek Play. Zeta Alpha Society.

Special student in language at Crans sur Sierre,
Switzerland, in summer of 1938. A.B. Wellesley

College 1939. Major subject, Psychology.

Residence: Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Married: 28 June, 1939 at Bernardsville, N. Jersey
Frederick Bourne Grant.



Frederick Bourne Grant
 b. 6 March, 1917, New York City. Son of
 Frederick Everett and Nancibelle (Mott) Grant.
 Phillips Andover Academy, Andover, Mass.
 Graduate 1935 cum laude. Massachusetts
 Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
 1935-1939. Dean's Scholarship List - four years.
 Chi Phi Fraternity - Vice President 1938-39
 Member of "Institute Committee" (student
 governing body). General Manager TECHNIQUE
 (M.I.T. Year Book) 1939. The Rogers Award-1939.
 Second Lieutenant Signal Corps Reserve United
 States Army (Supply Division). S.B. in Business
 and Engineering Administration - 1939.(Chemical
 Option).

Present occupation: with the manufacturing
 division of the Dewey and Almy Chemical Company,
 Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Residence: Cambridge, Massachusetts.

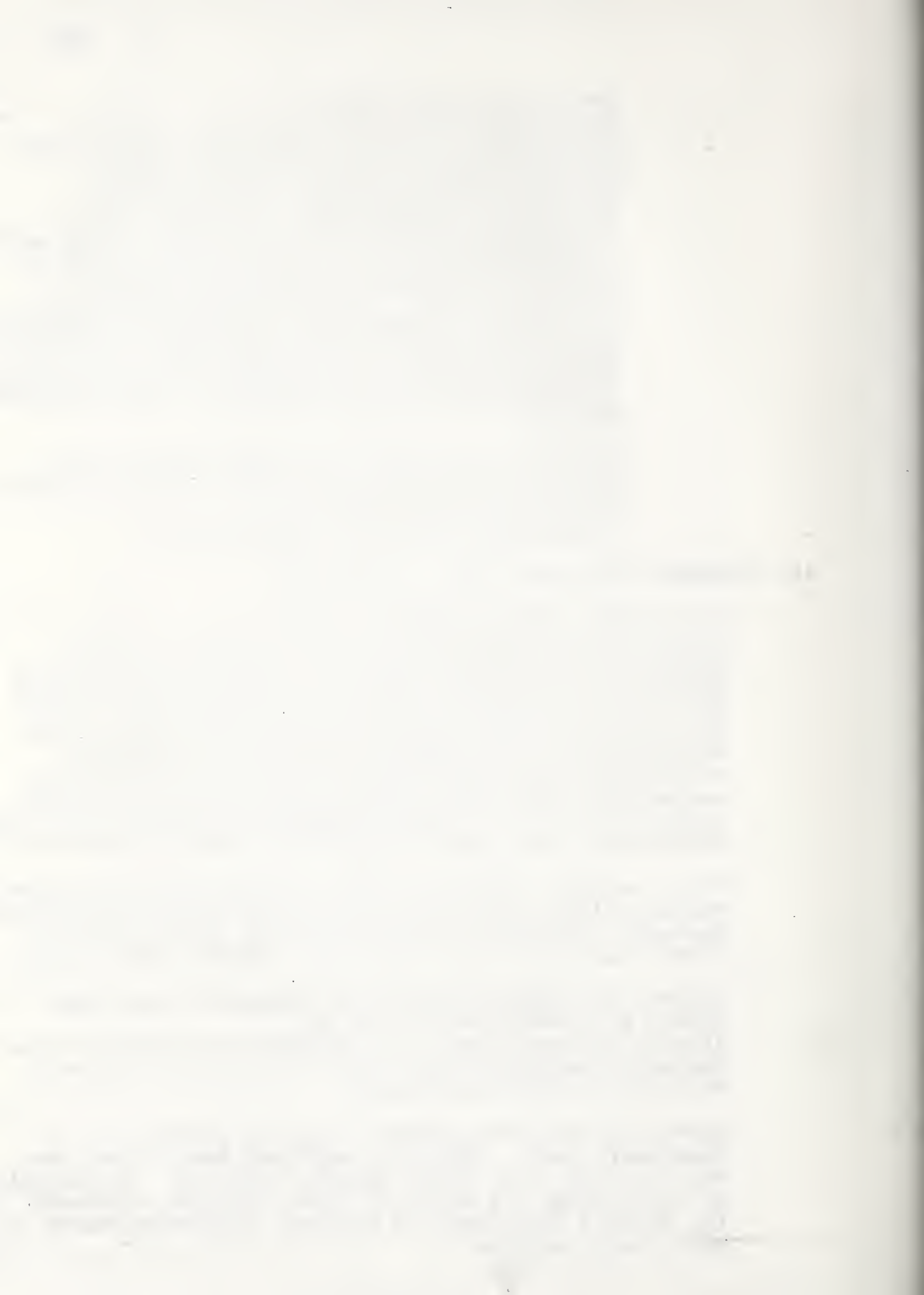
43. (MIRIAM) OLIVE BELL (dau. of Ernest)

b. 20 July, 1891 at Oxford, England
 Christened in Iffley church, Mrs. Captain Cross of
 Minneapolis godmother. Olive was in India 1892-3, in
 Minneapolis, Minnesota with her mother's sister Sarah
 (Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Slater) 1894-1917 with part of
 her summers, etc., with her parents in Chicago. She
 was educated in the public schools of Minneapolis,
 attending Central High School 1906-8, and graduating,
 as valedictorian, from West High in its first gradua-
 ting class, 1909. The Minneapolis Journal at that time
 presented a gold medal to each High School Valedictorian.

Olive attended Oberlin College 1909-13, Phi Beta Kappa
 and B.A. 1913. She was a Member of Sigma Gamma Literary
 Society, a student senator, a member of the Y.W.C.A.
 board and class poet. Her major subject was history.

1913-15 she taught history and English in the high
 school at Alexandria, Minnesota.
 1915-17 she was director of religious education in the
 Plymouth Congregational Church at Holly and McKubbin
 Streets, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Married in 1917 she resided with her husband in
 Worcester, Mass. After the birth of their first son
 they removed to E. Falls Church, Virginia. In the fall
 of 1920, after the birth of their daughter, Florence
 (in Chicag) they moved to Madison, Wisconsin, where they
 have since resided.



1931-32 she was chairman of the Literature Dept. of the Madison Woman's Club.

1928- again in 1939 a deaconess of the First Congregational church of Madison. 1933-4 President of the World Fellowship Dept. of the church.

Member of Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison Art. Assn., etc. ..

Author of E.A. Bell, a biography, 1932. Daniels Ancestry, 1934, Farrington Ancestry, 1938. Descendents of John Bell, 1939.

1936 Painted murals in the dining room at their residence 1129 Waban Hill, Madison, Wis.

m. 15 Sept. 1917 at Minneapolis, Minnesota
Farrington Daniels, son of Franc Birchard and Florence (Farrington) Daniels.

Farrington was born 8 Mar. 1889 at Minneapolis. He was educated in the public and High Schools of Minneapolis, received B.S. in 1910 and M.S. in 1911 from the University of Minnesota. Ph.D. in Chemistry from Harvard 1914. He was instructor in Chemistry at Worcester Polytechnic Institute 1914-18. Conducted research at the U.S. Nitrogen Lab., Washington, D.C. 1918-20, and has been teacher at the University of Wisconsin, 1920 to the present. Professor of Physical Chemistry since 1928.

Author of Mathematical Preparations for Physical Chemistry and Chemical Kinetics, and of some hundred papers in chemical Journals. Co-author of Experimental Physical Chemistry, Outlines of Theoretical Chemistry, Prof. of Chemistry, Stanford summer 1930. Geo. Fisher Baker, non-resident lecturer in Chemistry at Cornell University 1935. First Lieut. Chem. Warfare Service 1918. Fellow A.A.A.A. (Chairman Chem. Section) Member Am. Chem. Soc. (Chairman Division Physical and Inorganic 1931). Faraday Society, Sigma Xi, Alpha Delta Phi.

Alpha Chi Sigma, Congregational Church, Ass. Editor Journal, Am. Chem. Soc., Field of Research, Chemical kinetics.

Children of Farrington and Olive Bell Daniels

57. Farrington Daniels, Jr.

b. 29 Sept. 1918 at Worcester, Mass.

attended Nakoma School, Madison; Wisconsin High School. Honor student, on annual staff, debate team, class orator. Entered University of Wisconsin, 1936, honor student. Pres. of Camera Club. Alpha Delta Phi, Fraternity.

Major subject: Biology. Counsellor at Camp Manitowish 1937, Member of First Congregational Church.

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58. Florence Mary Daniels
 b. 15 Aug. 1920 at Chicago, Illinois. Nakoma School and Wisconsin High School, Madison, Wis. Philomatheia, G.S.C. honor student, Salutatorian University of Wisconsin 1937. Alpha Xi Delta, Sorority. Vice President Freshman Honor Society, 1937. Crucible Sophomore Honor Society 1938. Y.W.C.A. board - Cabinet of Congregational Student Assoc. Leader Anonymous Club, 1939. Member First Congregational Church.
59. Miriam Olive Daniels
 b. 10 Aug. 1924 at Madison, Wis. Nakoma School Honor Student. Piano Accompanist orchestra and glee club. Wisconsin High School 1938. Philomatheia, glee club, accompanist for orchestra. Member First Congregational Church.
60. Dorin Slater Daniels
 b. 23 Sept. 1927 at Madison, Wis. Nakoma School.

44. CLARE ERNESTINE BELL (daughter of Ernest)

b. 8 Nov. 1892 at Madras, India
 Christened in Madras Cathedral. The godfather was Rev. Canon Dodson who remembered her in prayer every day of his life.

Clare came to the United States with her parents on their return in 1894. She was educated in the Public Schools and High School in Austin, Chicago. She had considerable responsibility for the five brothers and sisters younger than she. She helped to earn her way through college by summer work as long distance operator for the Chicago Bell Telephone Co.

She attended Oberlin College 1911-15, receiving the B.A. in 1915. She was a member of Aelioian Literary Society, and the Y.W.C.A. cabinet. Her major work was in Physical Education and English.

1915-18 she was teacher of physical education and English in Bradley Polytechnic Institute, Peoria, Ill. 1918-19 teacher of physical education in Junior High and Grade Schools, Minneapolis, Minnesota. 1919-36 teacher of physical education at Central High School, Minneapolis. This involved directing 600-900 girls daily. 1936 she transferred to guidance counselor work and teaching of English in Central High School.

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She took advanced studies in the University of Minnesota and at Northwestern University in education, majoring in guidance, receiving the M.A. at Northwestern, 1940.

She was in England, etc., the summer of 1936 and visited her godfather in his last year. She is a member of Plymouth Congregational Church, Minneapolis. Residence: 1900 Kenwood Parkway, Minneapolis.

45. REGINALD BELL (son of Ernest)

b. 31 Jan. 1894 at Jubbulpore, India. Rex was educated in the public schools and High School of Austin, Chicago. He attended Oberlin College 1912-16. Was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received B.A. 1916. Major subject, Economics. Received M.A. at Stanford University 1926 and Ph.D. 1933 in Educational Psychology. He taught at Galahad School, Hudson, Wis. 1916-17. Was with the U.S. Signal Reserve Corps, aviation section 1918-19, Urbana, Illinois. Camp Dick, Dallas, Texas; Fort Sill, Okla.; Camp Grant, Lockport, Ill., 2nd Lieut. Air Service, U.S.S.R.C. He was secretary for the Young Men's Christian Assn. 1917-27, Chicago and Jamestown, N.Dakota 1917-18. Acting State Sec'y for S.Dakota 1919-20; Gen'l Sec'y, Aberdeen, S.D., 1920-21; Tri-State Student Sec'y, Minneapolis, 1921; Student Sec'y, National Council, Chicago Office 1922-25; General Sec'y Stanford Univ. 1925-27. He was teacher in Menlo School for Boys, Menlo Park, Calif., and director College work, Presbyterian church, Pala Alto, California., 1927. He became instructor in Citizenship in Stanford University 1928-30; Associate in Education Research 1930-32; Assistant Professor of Education and Asst. Director of Citizenship 1932-36; Associate Professor of Education 1936; Fellow of the General Education Board, Berkeley, 1937; on leave from Stanford with the child development workshop of the American Council of Education at the University of Chicago, 1939-40.



m. 31 Jan. 1918 at Minneapolis
 Florence Marian Boise, daughter of Watson Elliott
 and Grace Pomeroy Boise
 b. 18 March, 1895 at Hope, So. Dakota.

Florence received the A.B. at Oberlin 1917. Major subject, Latin. At Stanford she carried on graduate work in psychology and mental testing; was active in research programs with her husband, and others, and has done psychometric work in several schools in California.

Children of Reginald and Florence (Boise) Bell

61. David Elliott Bell

b. 20 Jan. 1919 at Jamestown, N. Dakota.
 Educated in public schools and High School, Palo Alto, California. Attended Pomona College, Claremont, Calif. 1935-9 A.B. degree. Men's Glee Club, Elected to Phi Beta Kappa 1938; Kappa Delta Scholarship 1938; Honnald Fellowship 1939; Major subject economics. Graduate study at Harvard, 1939-

62. Barbara Jane Bell

b. 3 May, 1921 at Aberdeen, S. Dakota
 educated Public and High School, Palo Alto, Calif. Entered Pomona College 1937. Highest place in a competitive scholarship. Women's glee club. Major subject, humanities.

46. ELEANOR BELL (dau. Ernest)

b. 19 Aug. 1895 at St. Joseph, Missouri
 educated in public schools of Austin, Chicago, and Minneapolis, and the High School at Austin, Chicago. She had a year in the Chicago School of Business, 1911-12. She attended Oberlin College 1914, 15, 16 where she was a member of Aelician Literary Society. Her major subject was English. She was appointed Editor-in-Chief of the Oberlin Literary Magazine.

Eleanor was secretary to her uncle, Edwin S. Slater, Lawyer, Minneapolis, Minn. 1912-13 and 1916-18. She was head of the Stenographic division of constructing quartermaster, Louis Abel, at Camp Mills, Long Island, N.Y. 1918 in charge of sixty girls.

She was private secretary to Jerome B. Cross, Superintendent of Schools, Fresno, California. She has resided in LaGrange, Illinois; Kansas City, and



Grosse Point, Michigan. She is a member of the Grosse Point Memorial (Presbyterrian) Church and Recording Secretary of the Women's Historical Society of Detroit.

m. 27 Aug. 1918 at Chicago, Ill.
Paul Deming Williams (son of Harry Taft Williams and Bertha Deming Williams.

b. 1 May 1894 at Rootstown, Ohio
Educated at Rootstown, O., Garrettsville, O., Cleveland, O., Harrisburg, Pa., Steelton, Pa., Worthington, O., LaGrange, Ill., and Oberlin College (major subjects Economics and English) graduated A.B. 1916, Phi Beta Kappa.

Air Service Dec. 1917- July, 1919. Ground School, Berkeley, Calif. Observation and Pilot Training, San Diego, Dallas, Mt. Clemens, Mich., Mineola, N.Y., Riverside, Calif., 2nd Lieut. R.M.A.-A.S.A.

1919-20 - Y.M.C.A. Boys' Work, Fresno, Interchurch World Movement Survey, Chicago. Business - Arthur Andersen and Co., Accountants and Auditors.
1920-25 Staff, Chicago. 1925-33 Manager Kansas City office 1933 - Manager Detroit Office. C.P.A. Missouri and Michigan.

Residence: 217 McMillan Road, Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

Child of Eleanor and Paul

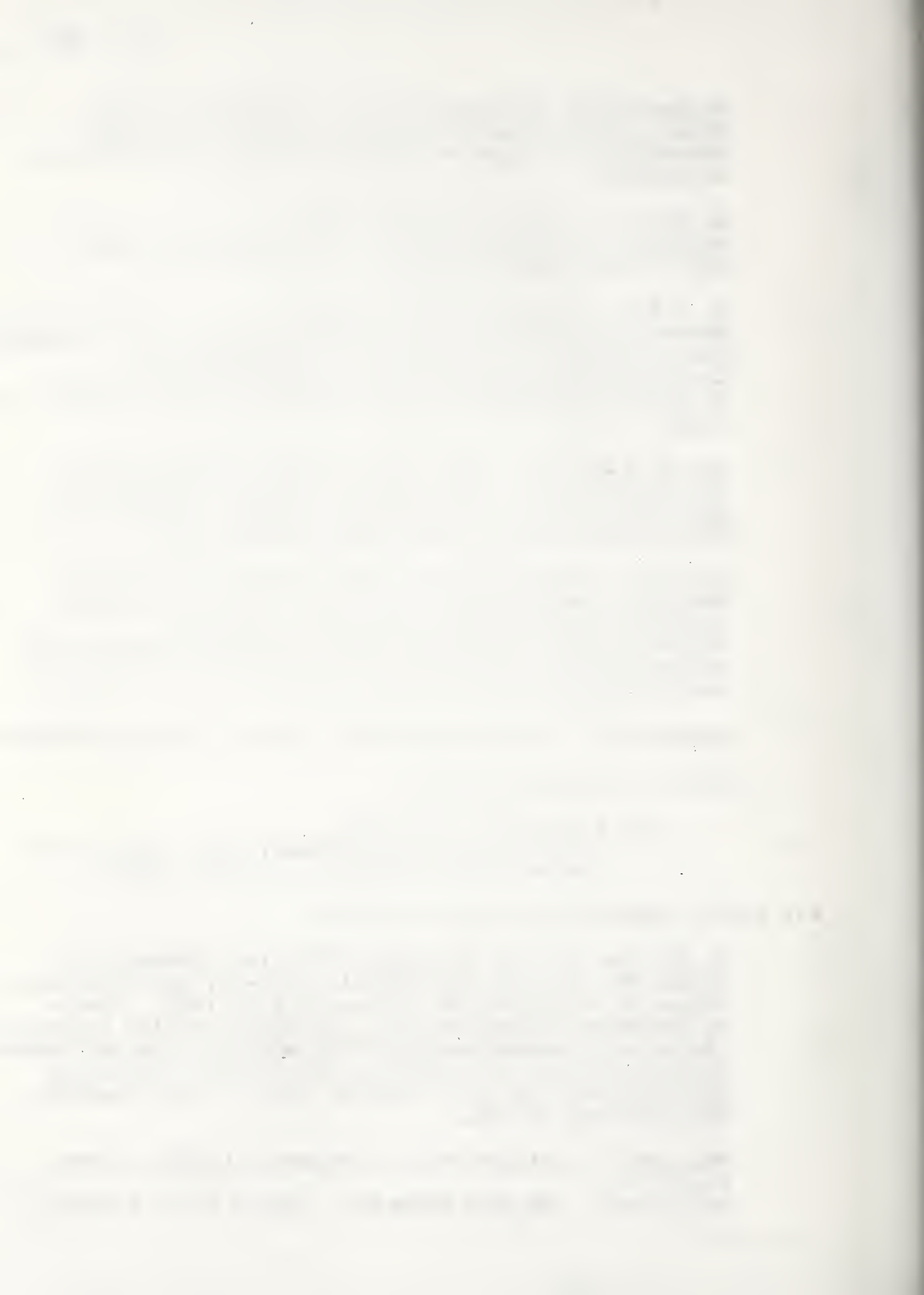
63. Nancy Clare Williams
b. 16 Nov. 1924, Chicago, Ill. educated in Kansas City, and Grosse Pointe, Mich.

47. HAROLD PHILIP BELL (son of Ernest)

b. 20 Nov. 1897 at Chicago, Illinois. Educated in Public School and High School, 1911-15, Austin, Chicago. Attended University of Illinois, B.S. 1920, Course in Business Administration. Chi Beta, social fraternity. Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary Fraternity. Charter Member Beta Alpha Psi, professional accounting fraternity. Enlisted Student Army Training Corps, member Austin Presbyterian Church.

Business: Southern Sales Manager of Larabee Flour Mills Co.

Residence: 515 East 47th St., Kansas City, Missouri



n. 27 Feb. 1935 at Minneapolis
Anne Dibble Brackett, daughter of Chapin Russell
and Mary Dibble Brackett.

b. 27 Aug. 1907

educated Kenwood School, West High School, Minneapolis;
Garland School, Boston; Miss Wood's Kindergarten and
Primary Training School, Minneapolis.

Taught at (1) Hill-Young School of Corrective Speech,
Minneapolis; (2) Oak Hall School, St. Paul; (3) Miss
Sterret's School, Minneapolis.

Member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, active in the
Church Guild; Legion Auxiliary, Kansas City Music Club.

Children of Harold and Anne (Brackett) Bell

64. Philip Brackett Bell

b. 1 Nov. 1936 at Kansas City, Missouri

65. Mary Anne Bell

b. 25 Oct. 1937 at Kansas City, Missouri

48. JESSE GREER BELL (Son of Ernest)

b. 11 May 1900 at Austin, Chicago.

educated in public and high school, Austin, Chicago.
Attended Amherst College both before and after his
war service. Received the B.A. in 1922. Major
subjects: American History and Political Science,
Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Enlisted U.S. Army, Tank Corps., April 17, 1918,
Fort. Slocum, N.Y. Corporal, Co. A 328th Batt.
304th Brig. T.C. May 15, 1918; Sergeant, Tank Commander,
Aug. 19, 1918, Service in France A.E.F., Aug. 30, 1918-
March 17, 1919.

Newspaper Work (Newark, N.H., Evening News) 1922-28
(Reporter, Rewriter, Radio Editor, State Editor)

Publicity and Advertising with the New Jersey Bell
Telephone Co., since 1928.

Residence: 3 Colony Drive W., West Orange, N.J.

M. 27 Sept. 1924 at East Orange, N.J. Marion Eleanor
Smith, daughter of Edgar Sanford and Amelia (Rademann)
Smith.



b. 19 March, 1901 at Jersey City, N.J. Attended Smith College, B.A. 1923. Major subject: American History.

Child of Jesse and Marion (Smith) Bell

66. (Jesse) Greer Bell, Jr.

b. 1 Aug. 1928 at Orange, N.J.

educated West Orange Public Schools

49. (FRANCES) ELIZABETH BELL (daughter of Ernest)

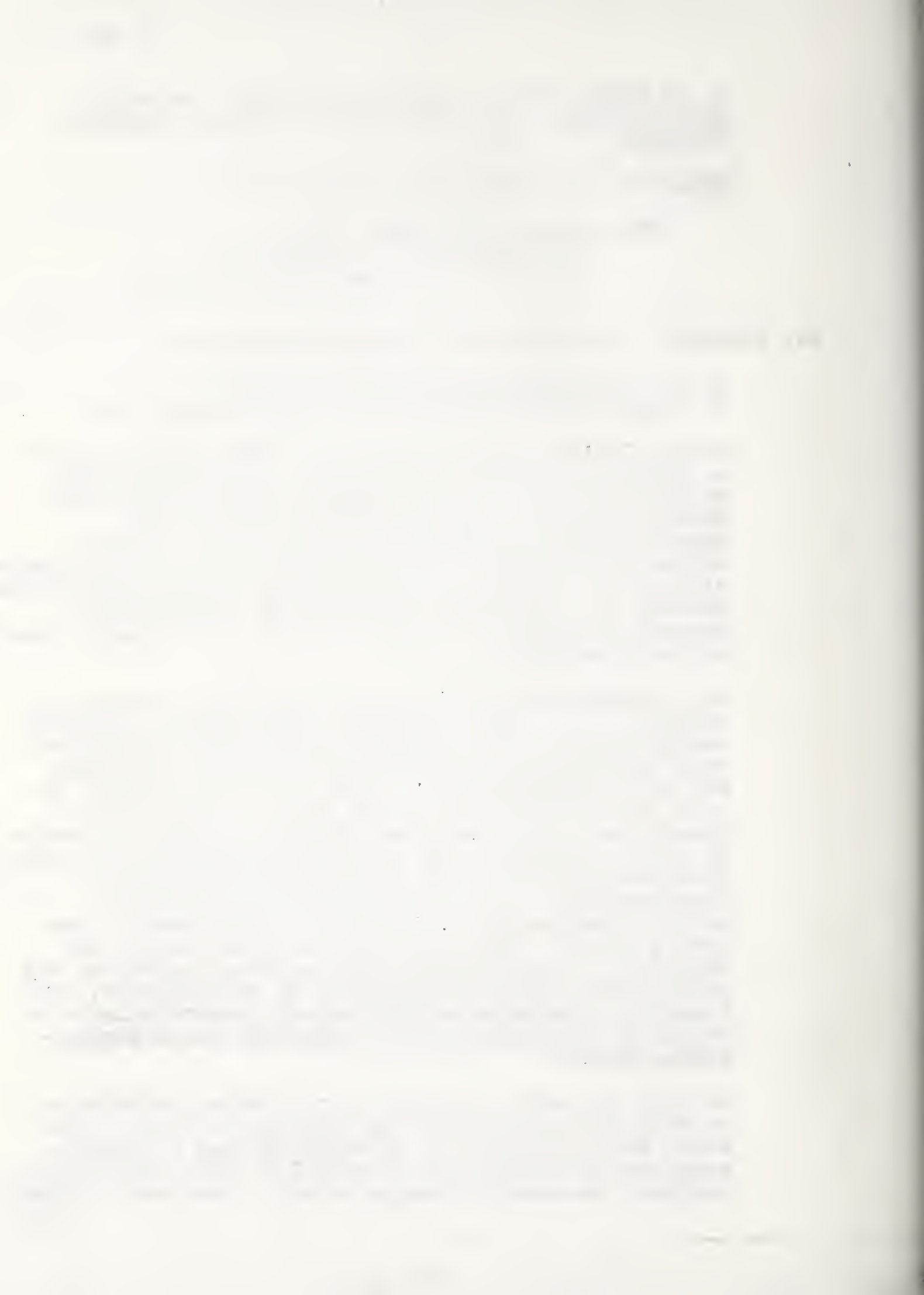
b. 16 July, 1901 at Maywood, Illinois

d. 5 Aug. 1929, buried Forest Home, Chicago, Ill.

After a relatively poor physical start, Beth enjoyed a vigorous and sturdy childhood. She was educated in Robert Emmett School, Austin, and at Austin High School from which she graduated in 1917. She continued with postgraduate work in a secretarial course offered under War Emergency to a selected group at the high school, and immediately upon its completion secured a secretarial position with a publishing company in Austin where she carried an increasing load of responsibility.

She contracted a severe case of influenza during the epidemic of 1918, and from that time on, has had health difficulties, which intermittently interfered with her vocational plans, her business activities, and her marriage hopes. A period in the hospital in 1919 was followed by a visit to her sister Olive at Falls Church, Virginia, and then by a return to Austin to take a position with an insurance agency in Chicago. This was interrupted by further hospitalization (appendectomy), out of which grew an interest in medicine and nursing which her health prevented her from pursuing. She developed her piano music, was skillful in designing and making her own clothes, and was socially happy with a group of young people, some formerly classmates at high school, others friends at Austin Presbyterian Church where she was a participating member.

In 1926 she went to Stanford University, California, to stay with her brother Rex and work on a part-time basis with the Y.M.C.A. of which Rex was secretary, returning to Chicago and Kansas City for medical and surgical treatment (ethmoid sinus). This was followed



by a stay in Altadena, California, with her mother, and later with her uncle, Chauncey, again in search of health. A brief stay at Stanford was followed after her father's death by several months in Tuscon, Arizona, with her mother, where Beth attended the University of Arizona studying Spanish. Mother and daughter returned to Stanford in May, 1929, where Beth worked, when she was able, as secretary to Mr. Wight, director of a government experimental garden. In August of that year, she again set out on her unrewarded search, leaving for Chicago to consult a medical and neurological specialist. She died en route.

Socially, she was always popular and much loved. Mentally, she was clever and entirely adequate to do much more than she was physically able to undertake. Only emotionally was she increasingly disturbed through the years of her failing health. There, she suffered from a deep sense of frustration, perhaps arising from the fact that she was neither strong enough nor financially able to go to college. Certainly this sense of frustration was continuously reinforced by the recurring denial of each new vocational goal as it emerged, and by her decision not to marry the man who loved her. And yet only in the last few weeks of her life did she show her discouragement. Memorable are her beauty, her cheerfulness, her sense of humor, her courage, and her determination to be independent.

50. LILCON BELL

born and died Sept. 1909 at Battle Creek, Michigan

51. HELEN STEVENS BELL (daughter of John)

b. 24 Mar. 1892 at Bellevue, Nebraska
Educated in public school and high school, St. Joseph, Missouri.

Attended University of Wisconsin, 1911-14.

Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority: Badger Beauty.

Attended Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

Sec'y Y.W.C.A., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Teacher Laurel School for Girls, Cleveland, Ohio.

Director Girls Conference at Erieside.

Sec'y Miracle Book Club of Georgia

d. 22 Sept. 1921 at Palo Alto, Calif.,
Walter Powell



b. 15 July, 1891 at Reedsburg, Wisconsin, son of Charles D. and Olive Pelton Powell.

University of Wisconsin 1910-1914. Played center on football team for three years. Letter two years -- Big Ten championship team 1912. Head Coach Western Reserve University, Cleveland 1914-17. Conference championship 1915. Athletic director Camp Sherman 1917; later transferred to Navy in association with Walter Camp. 1919 athletic director and head Coach Montana State College where team tied 6-6 with Montana Univ. with Coach Bernie Bierman. 1920-22 Director major athletics and coach Stanford University. Installed American game instead of Rugby. At age of 29 was named to rules committee -- youngest ever selected and first west of Mississippi. He opposed barring of point after touchdown and won over Coach Stagg of Chicago and Roper of Princeton. During War had visited Atlanta and was so impressed with the city that he settled there in 1922 and is now general agent for John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company for the state of Georgia. Quotation from the Atlanta Constitution says, "Since 1922 Mr. Powell has been Southeastern conference official working in from 12 to 15 games each season. He has had games for every college in Dixie and has been assigned to engagements in other sections including two Rose Bowl tilts."

Residence: 1708 Johnson Road, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.

Children: of Helen and Walter Powell

67. David Bell Powell (adpt)

b. 18 May, 1924, Willoughby, Ohio

68. Jane Boyce Powell

b. 1 Jan. 1930, Willoughby, Ohio.

52. DONALD CHESBROUGH BELL (son of John)

b. 9 Oct. 1893 at Omaha, Nebraska

Educated in Public School and High School at St. Joseph, Missouri.

University of Wisconsin B.A. 1917 - Phi Gamma Delta, Fraternity. Cornell Medical School, N.Y., M.D. 1920 Demonstrator of Anatomy and Instructor in Surgery, Western Reserve University. Attending Surgeon City Charity and St. Luke's Hospitals, Cleveland, Ohio. Studied in London, 1930. Field of Specialization - brain surgery. Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.



m. 23 Mar. 1929 at Evanston, Ill.

Katherine Densmoor Miller (daughter of Townsend W. and Katherine Densmoor Miller)

Katherine was born 26 May, 1894 at Markesan, Wis.

Educated at Grade and High School at Markesan
Downer College, Milwaukee 1913-14 and at the
University of Wisconsin 1916.

Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority.

Residence: Ojai, California

Children of Donald and Katherine (Miller) Bell

69. Ellen Phranica Bell

b. 14 Dec. 1931 at Cleveland, Ohio

70. Donald Chesbrough Bell, Jr.

b. 11 Mar. 1935 at Cleveland, Ohio

53. DOROTHY MARION BELL (daughter of John)

b. 15 Oct. 1895 at St. Joseph, Missouri

Educated public school and high school at

St. Joseph, Mo. University of Wisconsin B.A. 1918.

Kappa Alpha Theta, Phi Beta Kappa, junior year,
President Yellow Tassel, Mortar Board, Wisconsin
Literary Staff.

Taught Physiology, Zoology and English Willoughby
High School 1918-21, and Berea College, Berea,
Kentucky, 1922.

m. 25 June, 1922 at Willoughby, Ohio

Dr. Merrill Jenks King, M.D. (son of Harry Harwood
King and Hattie Caroline King).

Merrill was b. 18 Mar. at Whitewater, Wis.

Educated at Lake Forest Preparatory; 1 yr. University
of Wisconsin; M.D. from University of Pennsylvania
1919; Post Graduate Harvard Medical School.

Positions: Instructor in Ophthalmology and in
Ophthalmic Research at Harvard Medical School,
Ophthalmic surgeon to Mass. General Hospital and
Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary. Consulting ophthalmic
surgeon to Framingham Hospital and Channing Sanatorium,
Boston. Director of Hegeman Memorial Laboratory,
Mt. McGregor, N.Y., 1925-29.



Residence: 38 Cypress Road, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Children of Dorothy and Merrill King

71. Merrill Jenks King, Jr.
b. 28 Jan. 1925 at Willoughby, Ohio

72. Carolyn Bell King
b. 16 Sept. 1926 at Willoughby, Ohio

54. HUGH STEVENS BELL (son of John)

b. 10 Jan. 1899 at St. Joseph, Missouri
Educated public schools and high school, St. Joseph, Mo.
Allegheny College, 1917, Western Reserve University
1918-22. A.B. cum Laude 1922 Western Reserve.
Phi Gamma Delta, Allegheny. Sigma Delta Chi at
Western Reserve (Journalism). Sigma Xi at Cal. Tech.
Harriet Pelton Perkins Scholarship 1921-2
Holden Essay Prize 1922. Editor Reserve weekly.
U.S.N. 1918. Cleveland Museum Natural History 1922-4.
Lecturer and Author 1924-31. U.S. Indian Service
1931-5. U.S. Soil Conservation Commission 1935 -
California Institute of Technology; Hydraulic
Research. Published extensively in Cleveland Plain
Dealer, Nature Magazine, Your Garden Magazine.
Journal of Geology, etc.

Residence: Pasadena, California.

m. 10 Oct. 1922 at Willoughby, Ohio

Helen Jessie Rose, daughter of Herbert and Rose
Hennish Rose

Helen was b. 7 Aug. 1899 at Wickliff, Ohio.
Art major Willoughby High School 1917. Attended
Erie College 1917-19. Attended University of Wisconsin
1919-20. A.B. Erie College, 1921.

Children of Hugh and Helen

73. Hugh Stevens Bell, Jr.
b. 16 July, 1924 at Willoughby, Ohio

74. John Stannard Bell
b. 17 July, 1925 at Willoughby, Ohio

75. Donald Chesbrough Bell
b. 11 Jan. 1927 at Willoughby, Ohio

76. Robert Hennish Bell
b. 5 Feb. 1936 at Flagstaff, Arizona.



IV

NOTES ON STEVENS, BROWNS, MARRS

The father of Mary Ann Stevens was

Chauncey Farnett Stevens

- b. 27 May, 1817 (Bible record)
- d. 4 Oct. 1872, age 55 years, 3 months
tombstone record in Dickson Hill cemetery
- m. 10 Aug. 1840 Susan Brown, dau. William and Jane (Marr) Brown.

We are told that Chauncey was a merchant tailor who invented a system of cutting men's clothes and that he was well informed and kept the village library. He was a cripple from infancy, having been dropped by his nurse. He appeared in Stouffville about 1840, the year he was married. He had blue eyes; his hair greyed early. He died of consumption. His birthplace is supposedly Rochester, N.Y. His father's name was Adlei Stevens. He had sisters Polly and Celesta and brothers who remained in the states; perhaps Jonathan, Asa and Jason. A Chauncey Stevens was in Danville, Vt. about 1820 which may or may not be relevant and some connection with Thaddens Stevens has been suggested. Research here is needed.

Research on the forebears of Susan Brown is also needed. The Browns were United Empire Loyalists who fled from the United States during the Revolution, or at the time of the repressive legislation of 1783. The story is that they swam the Niagara River to escape. A James Brown is listed with the loyalists, and is found at Kingston, 1783. A James Brown was patented land in Markham in 1801 and is buried in the Dickson Hill cemetery. His grave is pictured.

James Brown

d. 25 Nov. 1844 aged 92 years and 7 months

Thus b. 1752, age 27 at beginning of Revolution.

Mary Brown

d. 17 Apr. 1845 aged 89 years, 1 mo., 12 days.

Thus b. 1756, aged 20 at beginning of Revolution.

Were these the parents of the William Brown buried near by? and grandparents of Susan Brown, wife of Chauncey Stevens? The United Empire lists give other Browns including a William Brown with a Niagara stamped book. It is said

that a Wm. Brown of this generation was buried in Dickson Hill cemetery near the church, but the stone was not visible in 1939.

The William Brown known to us was with his wife in Frontenac County, 1813 as their son James was born there that year "Up Gananoqua Way". Coming west they settled first "down Vaughan Way" or "toward Oshawa". But it was in the days of the 'Family Compact' troubles and they fled from violence to Stouffville and bought, about 1828, from Sally Lloyd and Sally Long, the land taken up by Jacob Long before 1810 in which year he had completed the clearing of the road in front of his part of lots 1, 2, 4, 5, Concession 10, Whitchurch, just north of Stouffville. Lot 3 was a clergy right and purchased later. William Brown had a fine farm with fine horses and carriages and hard working sons. William bequeathed part of the farm to William, junior, with whom he spent his last years, and deeded 14 acres, part of Lot 2 to his son James in Feb. 1852. The farm is now owned by a granddaughter of James - Cora Brown Johnson and her husband, Leland Johnson. The beautiful lane from the road to the house is pictured.

Jane Marr, wife of William Brown, is presumably daughter of William Marr, whose family was "from Philadelphia before the War". William Marr was in Adolphustown with the United Empire Loyalists in 1784. He took up land, Lot 14, Concession 9, Markham; survey fee 1801; patent fee 1804; completed terms (finished payment and clearing) 3 Feb. 1809. He became an active leading citizen and was apparently living with five sons on Lot 14 in 1850.

In the Dickson Hill cemetery, north of Markham, we find the graves of William and Jane Marr Brown.

William Brown

b. 25 June, 1780

d. 3 July 1855, aged 75 yrs. 8 days

Epitaph

"Farewell my wife and children dear
I am not dead but sleeping here
I hope in heaven we all may meet
Around my makes mercy seat."

Jane, wife of William Brown

b. 7 Sept. 1788

d. 11 April, 1860 ae 73 yrs. 7 mo. 4 days.

Epitaph

"Friends nor physicians could not save
This mortal body from the grave
Nor can the grave confine it here
When Christ is glory doth appear."



Children of William and Jane (Marr) Brown

Polly

William

James, b. 1813 m. Barbara Johnson

Jane m. Harry Johnson

Susan b. 1816 m. Chauncey Stevens

Nancy

Betsey m. Long (?)

Esther b. 1823 m. Dr. A.C. Lloyd

John

Two girls and one boy died; the others all married and were well-to-do.

Susan Brown (dau. of William Brown)

b. 7 Dec. 1816

d. about 1875 at St. Mary's, Ontario

m. 10 Aug. 1840 Chauncey Farnett Stevens

Children of Chauncey Farnett and Susan (Brown) Stevens

All born Stouffville, Ontario.

(Abigail) Jane b. 11 May 1841 m. Manly

Periander (Perry A.) b. 18 Feb. 1842 m.

Esther Ann b. 15 Mar. 1845 m. Stevens

Mary Ann b. 14 Nov. 1847 m. Jonadab Bell

Wm. Brown b. 22 Dec. 1849 m. Alice Stevens

James Brown b. 3 Jan. 1852 m.

Alice Elizabeth b. 21 Apr. 1854 m. John Yates

John Brown b. 2 Oct. 1856 m. Angeline Eliz.
StockenburgLillian Mahala b. 28 Oct. 1858 m.1) Wm. Rowbotham
d. 1937 m.2) Wesley Ellsworth

All these lived to be over seventy years of age except Alice Elizabeth, who died in childbirth, age 21.









